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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing Of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An image reproduction apparatus comprising:

a memory that stores a plurality of image files, each image file having a file structure that includes at least ~~two images,~~ a high-resolution [[first]] image and a low-resolution ~~second~~ image, for ~~any single~~ the same image;

a display unit that displays an image file ~~according to~~ of the plurality of image files stored in the memory;

an operating unit operated by a user for forwarding ~~images~~ an image displayed on the display unit; and

a control unit that causes the display unit to successively ~~fast forwards the second~~ display a low-resolution ~~images according to~~ image of the plurality of image files at fast speed while the operating unit is in a predetermined operating state, and ~~displays the first~~ to display a high-resolution image corresponding to ~~the second~~ a prior low-resolution image ~~displayed~~ of a predetermined number of images prior to the ~~second~~ low-resolution image displayed on the display unit when the operating unit is released from the predetermined operating state, without displaying the prior low-resolution image.

Claim 2 (original): The image reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined operating state is a state maintained continuously by the operating unit at a predetermined operating position for a predetermined time period.

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Claim 3 (original):   The image reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising setting means for setting the predetermined number of images depending on the fast forward speed.

Claim 4 (original):   The image reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined number of images is set according to how the user operates the operating unit with respect to the fast forwarding display.

Claim 5 (original):   The image reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a setting unit by which the user sets the predetermined number. ·

Claim 6 (currently amended):   The image reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the [[first]] high-resolution image is fast forward displayed when the operating unit is not in the predetermined operating state.

Claim 7 (currently amended):   An image reproduction method for an image reproduction apparatus, the apparatus displaying on a display unit images according to image files from a memory that stores a plurality of the image files, each image file having a file structure that includes at least two images, a high-resolution [[first]] image and a low-resolution second image, for any single the same image, the method comprising the steps of:

successively fast forwarding the second images displaying a low-resolution image of the image files at fast speed when an operating unit that fast forwards image is in a predetermined operating state; and

displayed displaying a [[first]] high-resolution image corresponding to a second prior low-resolution image displayed of a predetermined number of images prior to the second low-resolution image displayed when the user releases the operating unit form the predetermined operating state, without displaying the prior low-resolution image.

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    Claim 8 (currently amended):   A program for causing an image reproduction apparatus to display on a display unit images according to image files from a memory that stores a plurality of the image files, each image file having a file structure that includes at least ~~two images,~~ a high-resolution [[first]] image and a low-resolution ~~second~~ image, for ~~any single~~ the same image, the program comprising:

    code for successively ~~fast forwarding the second images~~ displaying a low-resolution image of the image files at fast speed when an operating unit ~~that fast forwards images~~ is in a predetermined operating state; and

    code for displaying a [[first]] high-resolution image corresponding to a ~~second~~ prior low-resolution image ~~displayed~~ of a predetermined number of images prior to the ~~second~~ low-resolution image displayed when the user releases the operating unit form the predetermined operating state, without displaying the prior low-resolution image.

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